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TORONTO, CANADA Oct. 6th, 1914.

The President,
University of Toronto.

Dear Mr. President:-

Professor Guess has asked me to explain to you his absence. The Granby Mining and Smelting Co. with head office in New York, completed early in the summer a large modern copper smelting works at Anyox on the northern coast of British Columbia. The management failed to smelt anything like the tonnage for which they had designed the plant. The company looked about for advice and came to Guess. He went out to Anyox in August to investigate the matter and stayed to make alterations in the method of treatment. I received a letter from him a few days ago in which he tells me that he is smelting more in one furnace than they did in three. He is anxious to remain to complete the work and this will keep him away till near the end of this month. He gives me no particulars but it certainly looks as if he had done a very remarkable piece of work. To go out to a new plant and to a new ore and take the other fellow's crew and treble his output is an achievement not often met with.

He wishes to recommend to you for the appointment of lecturer, Mr. Frank E. Lathe. He graduated in Arts, B.A., at McGill in 1904: B.Sc. in Metallurgy, McGill, 1907. He has held

positions in metallurgical works from that time until the present. I attach a statement of his record. Guess had great difficulty in getting a suitable man. Lathe has arrived and has commenced his work already although he clearly understands that his appointment has not yet been made. I like his looks very much.

Practically all of the laboratory work in metallurgy comes in the second term. Lathe and myself are dividing up the work until Guess returns.
and lectures

Yours faithfully.

H. E. Haultain

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Oct 13th 1914

Dear Dr. Ellis,

Guess wires me from
Ansox B.C. - "New York wires yesterday
urging stay as long as possible
at least 10 or 14 days beyond
fifteenth". He had planned leaving
for Toronto on the fifteenth of this
month. He is doing really wonderful
work. "Furnace tonnage nearly
troubled" he says. Lathe and I are
looking after his work here and
everything for the students is being
attended to all right. Most of his lab.
work is in the second term. I think
he ought to stay till the end of the
month at least & clean up in B.C.

Yours sincerely H.E. Hanttain

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Oct. 17, 1914.

The President,

University of Toronto.

Dear Mr. President:-

I was under the impression that Professor Guess had arranged for the appointment of J. Rachwalski as attendant in his laboratory, but apparently I was mistaken.

Rachwalski has been in the employ of Mr. Keele in the clay work, part of the year, and Guess chose him for laboratory attendant largely on account of his knowledge of clay. He has been at work in the Metallurgical lab. since the first of October, and seems quite satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. E. Lantieri". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized script.

Professor of Mining Engineering.

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February 6th, 1915

Professor Haultain,

University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Haultain:

Many thanks for Mr. Andrews' letter. It is extremely interesting, in fact the most vivid thing I have read yet, inasmuch as it comes with a personal touch. The poor fellow must be going through a hard hard time, and a letter of this kind makes one realise how much we owe to those who have gone to the front.

I am returning the letter to you.

Yours sincerely,

President.

February 16th, 1915

Professor H. M. T. Paultain,
University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Paultain:

It was very kind of you to write me as you
have done. I am glad to know that the impression made by the dinner
was so good. It seemed to me to be pervaded by an exceptional spirit.
Of course this is a memorable year, and occasioned with its tragedy
there is an appeal in it to all that is best in us.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

March 6th, 1915

Professor H. F. T. Haultain,
University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Haultain:

Many thanks for your letters.

I have read them both and I congratulate you upon the
research work that is being done in the laboratories.

I intend to read your Report again. With regard to
the other letter I will act in accordance with your
request. With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

April 2nd, 1915

Professor H. B. T. Haultain,

University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Haultain:

I am sorry I missed the Latin quotation. Latin is getting so out of date even in the Faculty of Arts that it is refreshing to know that it is sometimes of value in the Faculty of Applied Science. I daresay also that as we live to old age we shall look back with interest to the times when the debates went on in the Councils and prove the truth of the Ovidian lines.

Yours sincerely,

President.

April 8th, 1915

Professor H. E. T. Haultain,
University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Haultain:

Many thanks for your letter enclosing those from the father of Mr. Andrews. The letters make one regret the incident all the more. It seemed to have been so unnecessary, and yet the letters speak silently for the character of Andrews and of his friend the Captain of the Company. It must be a satisfaction to Mr. and Mrs. Andrews to have such detailed information about his death, and also to have such a satisfactory account of the last months of his life.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Dear Mr. President,

Fred Charles Andrews
B. A. Sc, of 26 Mapleside Avenue
Hamilton graduated in Mining
Engineering this year. He is a
fine upstanding specimen of a man,
of good birth and a good record.
He is sailing from New York on
Saturday to enlist in England.

A letter or statement from you
might be of value to him.

yours faithfully
H. C. Hamilton

